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Inspection service at Eastport, Me.

EASTPORT, ME., January 9, 1902.

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, January 9, 1902:

Vessels inspected.

Date.	Vessel.	From—	For—	Passengers.		
				Crew.	For East-port.	In transit.
Jan. 7	Ss. St. Croix.....	Boston and Portland..	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	46	35
Jan. 8	Ss. Aurora.....	St John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	1	1

The steamship *St. Croix*, due here to day from St. John, New Brunswick, is delayed there owing to some derangement of machinery.

Eastport is still free from smallpox. I am watching these steamships closely.

Respectfully,

EDWARD M. SMALL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Inspection service at Vanceboro, Me., and vicinity.

VANCEBORO, ME., January 4, 1902.

SIR: During the week just closed I have inspected approximately 600 passengers, vaccinated 34, and disinfected 19 pieces of baggage.

The situation in St. John, New Brunswick, seems to have improved during the week, but there has been quite an extended outbreak of smallpox in Halifax, and some cases have occurred in Albert County, New Brunswick, resulting from exposures in St. John. Nearly all St. John people who wish to enter the United States at this point are vaccinated prior to leaving home, and the majority carry no baggage. This, I am told, is not so much due to extension of vaccination at St. John as to dislike of vaccination at this point. * * *

Respectfully,

M. L. YOUNG,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

REPORTS FROM THE MEXICAN BORDER.

Eagle Pass, Tex., January 6, 1902—Inspection service.—I have the honor to report the following transactions at this port for the week ended January 4, 1902: Number of passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 7; number of passengers on trains from Mexico inspected and passed, 167; number of passengers detained, none.

B. KINSELL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

El Paso, Tex., January 4, 1902—Inspection service.—I have the honor to transmit the following summary of transactions at this station for the week ended January 4, 1902: Inspection of Mexican Central Railroad passengers, 158; inspection of Rio Grande and Pacific Railroad passengers, 18; inspection of immigrants, 95; disinfection of blankets, clothing, etc., of immigrants, 42 pieces; disinfection of soiled linen imported for laundry work, 397 pieces; disinfection of Pullman soiled linen, 4,016 pieces; vaccination of immigrant children, 2.

E. ALEXANDER,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.